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SUBJECT: TITO STATEMENT ON CYPRUS

1. IN EXCHANGE OF TOASTS AUGUST 15 WITH VISITING SYRIAN PRESIDENT
ASSAD, TITO ADDRESSED CURRENT SITUATION ON CYPRUS -- THE FIRST
STATEMENT ON CYPRUS BY A RANKING YUGOSLAV OFFICIAL IN SOME TIME.

2. STATING THAT THE LATEST CYPRUS DEVELOPMENTS, FOLLOWING FAILURE
OF THE GENEVA NEGOTIATIONS "PROVE TO WHAT EXTENT THE INDEPENDENCE,
SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND NON-ALIGNMENT OF CYPRUS HAVE
BEEN TRAMPLED ON", TITO SAYS THIS THREATENS "EVEN MORE GRAVELY"
PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE NEAR EAST, THE MEDITERRANEAN, AND THE WORLD
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3. RECALLING THAT YUGOSLAVIA COUNTRIES TO PLEDGE ITSELF, ALONG WITH
THE OTHER NONALIGNED COUNTRIES, TO SUPPORT PUTTING SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTIONS INTO EFFECT, TITO STRESSED THAT THIS "MEANS TERMINATION
OF THE HOSTILITIES, WITHDRAWAL OF THE FOREIGN FORCES, RESTORATION OF
THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND NON-
ALIGNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS, AND RENEWAL OF ITS CONSTITUTIONA
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ORDER AND LAWFUL GOVERNMENT...AND IMPLIES ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GREEK AND TURKISH COMMUNITIES ON THE
PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY AND REAL DEMOCRACY.

4. REFERRING TO THE HISTORY OF THE CYPRUS CRISIS, TITO SAID AN
"ATTACK ON THE POLICY OF NONALIGNMENT AS A WHOLE" HAD BEEN CARRIED
OUT "WITH HARSH FOREIGN INTERVENTION AND INTERFERENCE AIMED AT
OVERTHROWING THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT AND PRESIDENT OF THE INDEPENDENT
AND NON-ALIGNED REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS, MAKARIOS, WITH THE INTENTION
OF THWARTING THE INDEPENDENT AND PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF A
SMALL COUNTRY".

5. COMMENT: WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER TITO WAS STICKING STRICTLY TO A
PREPARED TEXT OR AD-LIBBING. IT MAY BE SIGNIFICANT HOWEVER THAT
HE DID NOT EXPLICITLY DEMAND THE RETURN OF MAKARIOS TO POWER,
WHICH HAS BEEN THE OFFICIAL YUGOSLAV LINE UP TO NOW.
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